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Congress proposes cuts as meeting lacks quorum

By KAREN FRANKLIN
Pacer News Editor

Even though a quorum was not present and the rules were suspended, Congress made budgetary hearing recommendations which would reduce The Spirit, The Pacer and music funding from student activities fees.

The Congress' recommendations call for cutting the Pacer's budget from \$11,000 to \$9,500 and cutting the Spirit's budget from \$8000 to \$7000. Music's allocation would also be cut from \$3000 to \$2000.

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voted to leave SGA's funding at \$13,000 after considerable discussion.

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"I think the cut is justifiable," Congressperson Jack Walker said. "I think they can decrease copies and increase advertising."

Congressperson, Sara Webb said she thought it would hurt the quality to cut the Pacer and the Spirit budgets.

"I think it's obvious that Caruso is using Congress to settle some personal score, so I'm not going to comment on his ludicrous proposal," Pacer Editor Jerald Ogg said. "I think it's funny."

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Rodeo team claims win, takes Ozark Region lead

The UTM rodeo team pulled ahead of all other competitors in the Ozark Region of the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association this weekend at the annual UTM Rodeo by winning its fourth consecutive victory.

This is the first time in national collegiate rodeo history that a team from east of the Mississippi River has led its region in rodeo competition. Only one region rodeo remains before the NIRA national finals in June.

Team member Bill Hoy said the victory was expected.

"We had the advantage of competing on home turf so this turned out to be the biggest win of the season," Hoy said. "We collected a total of 674 team points, which is nearly 100 points more than our last win."

He explained the team was now assured of a berth at the national finals, but the scholarship money to the winning team in the Ozark Region by the U.S. Tobacco Co. would be in question until after the final regional rodeo next week. It is being hosted by Arkansas State University at Jonesboro in nearby West Plains, Missouri.

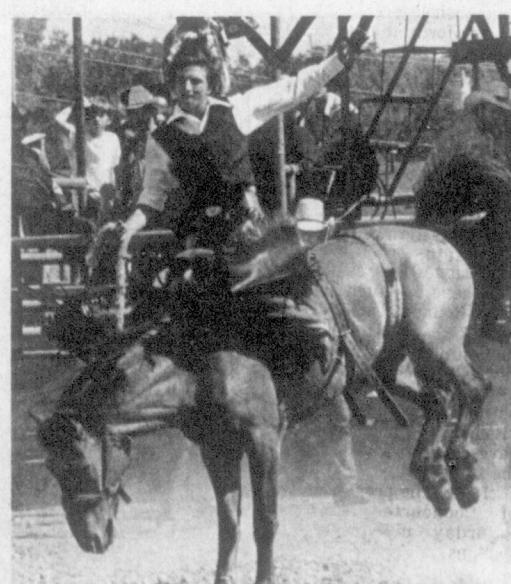
"I feel reasonably sure we are going to win the region, but we need to make a good showing in West Plains to be certain that ASU Beebe doesn't slip by us," Hoy said. ASU Beebe has led the region to this point.

In the individual men's

competition for UTM, Skippy Emmett won the all-around cowboy title, a first in steer wrestling, a third in bareback bronc riding and first in team roping with Franklin Pope. Pope also won a second in calf roping.

Doug Hicks took a second in bull riding and a third in bareback riding. David Vowell placed third in bull riding and Chris Melton took fourth in the same event. Tony Coleman placed second in saddle bronc riding.

The UTM women's team also scored victories this weekend as Glenda Packer and Wanda Dunn placed second and third, respectively, in the goat tying event.



Hanging on

The UTM Rodeo Team rode to top honors in the Ozark Region this weekend as they competed in the Annual UTM Rodeo. The Martin cowboys now rank third in the nation.

Staff photo by Danny Wilson

Walker said he feels the \$1000 cut is reasonable for the Spirit.

Caruso said The Pacer could print 2500 copies and cut printing costs approximately \$1,500.

"I think it would be very hard for the yearbook to be put out with a budget cut," Gail Sutton, 1975 Spirit editor, said when informed about the recommendation. "I think they should look to their own budget if they are considering cuts."

Nance said he thought WUTM deserved \$2500 with the FM station scheduled to open next year along with the AM facilities.

Caruso said WUTM will not receive any other support

except from advertising and \$4000 from the English department.

The WUTM and Speakers Committee allocation recommendations were passed unanimously by Congress.

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"I believe we need to make known that the students and some of the faculty and administration involved support an entertainment board," Nance said.

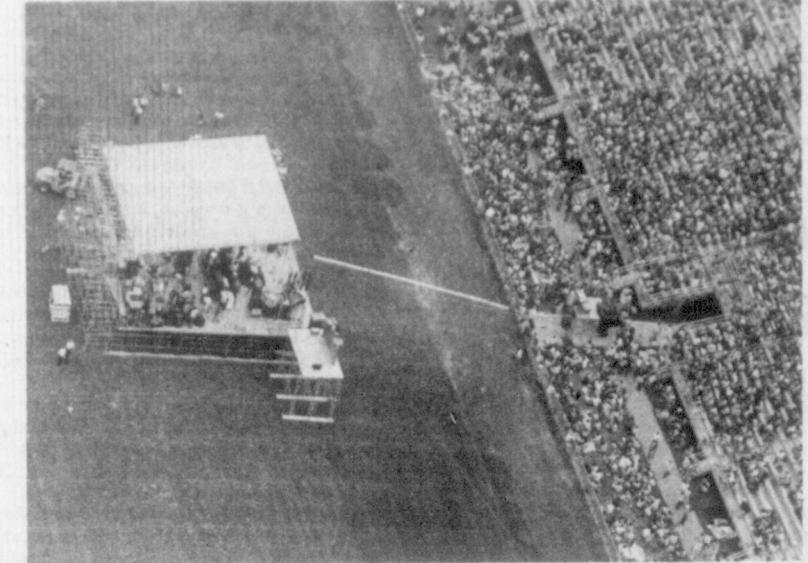
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Rounded up

Over 5500 people crowded in Pacer Stadium, top, Friday evening to "boogie" to the sound of the first Tennessee Mountain Roundup. Groups participating in the outdoor concert included "Wet Willie," left, "Barefoot Jerry" "The Charlie Daniels Band" and "The Outlaws." Three non-UTM students were arrested outside the stadium on drug-related charges, but officials felt the concert went smoothly. SGA President Steve Cox said the idea of another concert of this type was not being ruled out.

Minimal problems evident during musical 'Roundup'

By KAREN FRANKLIN
Pacer News Editor

Despite three drug arrests of non-UTM students, the Tennessee Mountain Roundup created fewer problems than expected, according to Martin Chief of Police Robert Benningfield.

"Three drug related arrests were made outside the north-east end of the stadium," Benningfield said. "I had anticipated more problems than what we had. From my standpoint I was pleased with the way it went."

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Both sides in the Green case have until June 6 to file their final briefs, after which responses will be made. The judge will then render a decision.

"Safety and Security were in charge of policing the area inside the stadium.

"We made no arrests at the concert," Ted Council, assistant director of Safety and Security said. "We didn't allow any liquor inside the stadium or inside the dressing rooms that we were aware of. He explained that Safety and Security refused to let one band unload liquor.

"It is a problem with almost every group we get here," Council said. "We find marijuana and liquor in the dressing rooms. We don't know how it gets there, but it is found afterwards."

Council said he feels liquor did not get into the concert but the collection of it did act as a deterrent because it wasn't as wide open as it was in the past.

"There was one overdose at the concert that we were aware of," Council said.

"I was generally pleased with the outcome of the concert," Council stated. "As far as we are concerned things went fairly smooth."

Council said it was harder to police an outside concert but it did have certain advantages.

"The crowd was much better behaved in the stadium than in the fieldhouse," Council explained. "They were able to move around and there was a natural outlet for the marijuana smoke."

Council said he thought the concert was well planned and organized and he thought this made Safety and Security's job much easier.

Dr. Phillip Watkins, vice chancellor for undergraduate life, said he was pleased with the concert.

"I was very favorably impressed with the way our student leaders planned and carried out the concert," Watkins said.

Russell Day, SGA secretary of finance, said approximately 5600 tickets were sold for the concert. He said the official SGA profit will not be determined until the end of the week because there are still bills out.

"I think the people had sort of 'concerted' out Saturday night," Phillip Watkins, vice chancellor for undergraduate life, said. "I enjoyed the groups and the activities, but I was pretty tired after Friday night."

Cox said he would not rule out the possibility of another concert similar to the Roundup but he doesn't believe a concert of that size could have been held without the cooperation of the incoming and outgoing SGA

administrations.

Bill Nance, SGA secretary of communications, also expressed pleasure with the concert.

"I believe it was the best concert UTM ever had in several respects," Nance said. "We got overwhelming cooperation from the students in every aspect of the concert."

"The administration cooperated with us very well," Nance explained. "We received much needed aid from them in many respects."

"It was without a doubt the largest concert ever done here at UTM," he added. "It drew an audience from as far away as California."

Nance said many of the groups that performed expressed an interest in returning to Martin at some future time.

"The promoters we worked through in booking the concert were pleased," Nance said.

He said he believes this will give UTM a foot in the door with promoters and give the campus a better chance of getting good groups in the future.

"I believe that if Martin is to continue to attract and to bring in concerts of this nature, an entertainment board is an absolute necessity," Nance added.

"The concert put a strain on many of the officers and in many instances their constitutional duties and school work suffered from the time they had to put in dealing with the concert."

There are no more concerts scheduled for this quarter.

Check it out

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Board would improve entertainment and SGA

The proposal to establish a separate entertainment board would not only provide the students of UTM with top quality entertainment, but would also allow SGA to concentrate on more important things than throwing pies.

Many needs filled by Cone

Although Food Service's reluctance to continue to operate the financially troubled UT Cone is understandable, University Center officials need to consider other alternatives before closing the area permanently.

The amount of sales in the Cone area may not be enough to keep it in the black, but the number of students who enjoy the area is large. If it is closed, some other location is needed for the students to go at night for snacks. The expensive player piano should also be utilized somewhere.

The abandoned athletic feeding area could also be used for other purposes. The UT Bone could be expanded, the Pacer Pantry relocated, a club-type entertainment center established or possibly a study center could be opened for those who want a more relaxed atmosphere than the library provides. Other possibilities could no doubt be explored.

In this period of tight money, the poor management evident in past Food Services' decisions cannot be tolerated. The expense in building the UT Cone less than two years ago now looms as wasted money and tremendous expense was also involved in moving the snack bar to its present location so that meal tickets could be used there. With meal tickets now extinct, that decision was also short-sighted.

Add to these the building and quick abandonment of the athletic feeding area and it is obvious that more foresight is needed. With planning, these unused areas can be put to beneficial uses for the students.

Need for IHC reorganization shown by small SFF crowd

Inter Hall Council's total lack of organization and poor promotion can be blamed for the poor attendance at Saturday's Spring Fever Festival. The popularity yet orderliness of the Tennessee Mountain Roundup shows that advertising and organization are the necessary ingredients for success. SGA handled the event well. IHC would have profited by following this example.

Thanks to the hard work of some of IHC appointed officials, relatively good bands were secured for the event. Students simply either did not know about Spring Fever Festival or had no desire to attend what they thought would be a carnival.

Part of the blame for the poor attendance at the event can be given to having to move it to the Fieldhouse and competition from the Tennessee Mountain Roundup. The Fieldhouse location obviously was not the lone reason, however, as a capacity crowd attended last year's BFD which was also held in the Fieldhouse.

IHC's negative attitude this year threatened to strangle SFF from the beginning. After first being cancelled, a wave of student protest brought it back to life with a new name and supposedly a new format. It was then poorly scheduled in a direct conflict with the UTM Rodeo. Except for coverage in this newspaper,

The duties of SGA cabinet members should be reassigned to eliminate their roles in entertainment. If the two were properly divorced, SGA would be able to more fully realize its potential without having to deal with entertainment. If it should then prove powerless, ineffectual and a delusion of self-control perpetrated upon the student body, it should be abolished.

SGA has served the students well this year in terms of entertainment. The promoter concerts, multi-band concerts, movies and coffeehouses have been good. But the plans for a separately funded entertainment board could improve entertainment even more.

This would also allow SGA to concentrate on the other matters which have traditionally been neglected. In the past, financing has been uncertain for other projects because of the budget link-up with entertainment.

The quality of platforms in the recent elections is haunting. The only issue of any note was entertainment. Having wasted a valuable chance to explore campus opinion, the new cabinet needs to exchange ideas with the students.

Prospective candidates for Congress next fall should also interact with students and the new cabinet and have noble objectives when they run. If they plan to run to test their popularity or to improve their credentials, then Congress doesn't need them. The entertainment board would force candidates to meet other needs.

Experientially, SGA will be a novice if the split is made and will have to learn from trial-and-error. If for no other reason, it should get started now.

Serious consideration should be given to a student food cooperative, an SGA-operated student book cooperative and a student employment service. With separate funding, such undertakings would be possible. Projects of this nature should be researched and organized during the summer months.

If this opportunity comes into being, then SGA will no longer have excuses for ignoring the non-entertainment needs of the people it purportedly represents.

New policy criticized

To the Editor:

In an article, "Review Board to be Discussed," appearing in the last issue of "The Pacer," some remarks were made concerning tutoring of UTM students by UTM faculty. The Instruction Committee issued the statement: "No faculty member shall receive remuneration (payment) for tutoring UTM students except in unusual cases which must be approved by the Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs."

This may appear to be only another limitation on faculty rights and privileges. This statement has the same meaning worded as follows: "No UTM student, even though he or she desires and can afford 'extra' tutoring, shall be allowed to employ the services of a UTM faculty member without the approval of the Vice-Chancellor for Academic Affairs."

The Instruction Committee failed to state wherein their proposed policy on tutoring would improve instruction. I feel that all UTM students and UTM faculty are proud of the excellence in undergraduate education that exists at this institution and would welcome only those changes which would improve the quality of education.

On page 36 of the 1974 Faculty Handbook in the first paragraph under the topic, "Compensated Outside Services," one may read, "Faculty and staff members are encouraged to offer professional advice concerning development of natural resources of the state, new products.... Such activities are not usually considered as outside work."

I suggest that the intellectual development of students is more valuable than development of natural resources, new products.... Also, I suggest that the proposed tutoring policy is not in keeping with the administration's positive approach to higher education in general and with quality undergraduate education in particular.

John W. Gammill
Associate Professor,
Mathematics

Thanks expressed

To the Editor:
I would like to thank everyone--faculty, staff, and students--who made the International Week a success.

The Music Night officially opened the week of events; the ballroom was packed and everybody enjoyed a music program which ranged from the classic guitar to dances and rhythms of Venezuela.

The Creperie Martinique' was a delight. The French atmosphere and the delicious crepes were enjoyed by more than 500 people.

Over 200 high schools from West Tennessee attended an interesting and very well-organized program.

The exhibit was one of the main points of interest. We had items from around 50 nations put together in a very attractive manner. The number of people visiting it increased over last year. More than 800 visitors were registered.

Slides about India, Russia, Cuba and France were shown in the University Center lounge.

During the week, French, Spanish and German full length movies were seen by students and faculty alike.

T-shirts and buttons, celebrating the International Week were worn by a great number of students and faculty.

We would like to thank the history department for the timely topics used at the Roundtable. The speeches, lunches and panel of discussions were very welcome.

The Phi Kappa Phi banquet climaxed the week of activities.

The presence of Venezuelan authorities on our campus added to the spirit of good will.

It is the opinion of many that the International Week is fast becoming the highlight of the Spring Quarter at UTM.

Thanks once again.
Maria I. Malone
Chairman,
International Week

Weekend enjoyed

To the Editor:
What's happening? I trust everyone has recovered from the Concert-Rodeo Weekend. I just had to drop y'all a note and compliment all those who had a hand in making it all a success.

It's slowly sinking in as to why Martin is one of the nine Happy Towns in the USA. Just about everyone I ran into was in a festive mood; it was kind of like a Homecoming except it was held in the Spring and we weren't there to win or lose, just boogie down to some good ol Tennessee and Georgia Rock and Roll and enjoy the whole happening with those that we were with.

In my opinion, it was a dynamite concert rodeo. The cowboys had a great dance Saturday night and I met some strangers who turned out to be down home good people. Some folks were kind of upset that the concert and rodeo were held the same weekend, but it worked out great for me since I blew into town and caught the whole shot.

This member of the alumni would just like to thank all those who put in a helping hand so I, my friends and visitors could have such a good time. After the concert I almost punched out some dude that was yelling that the concert was a rip off. He quieted down rather quickly, the Bozo.

Believe it or not, I'd like to thank Safety and Security for helping to keep the peace and not causing another Kent State. They looked out for the Hulk and I appreciate it, men.

My only complaint, like so many, was the lack of the ability to bring cold beer to the

concert due to the Enforcers. We need to take our case to the Main Men of UT and see if they'd like to liberalize a little like so many other colleges that allow alcohol on campus. Does Knoxville have the same problem?

Well, I'm gonna quit running my motor mouth and let y'all get back to the country side of life... happy trails until Homecoming; take care of this neck of the woods for me and give me a nickel for every empty bottle at Homecoming.

Rick Hayden
Alumni

Study day needed

To the Editor:

I would like to know why there is no study day being offered this quarter. I have heard through the Office of Academic Affairs that some conference with supposedly student representation decided not enough students were using the day for studying.

Another reason given was to get the students out quicker. Quickness could be achieved better if those three days of classes were eliminated and used as an exam week.

The absence of one day is not going to make enough of a difference for a student trying to get a summer job. Twenty-four hours is not much of a jump on the people who are already out of school and competing for jobs.

No study day places a burden on students who use that day for preparing for finals--especially comprehensive ones. When one goes till mid-afternoon on Wednesdays, the rest of the afternoon plus nighttime is not enough time to study for a comprehensive final a.m.

What good is getting home a day earlier when most of the schools have already been home two or three weeks?
Mark Kirchhoff
Sophomore, Accounting

Jottings

by TOM HEATH

A day in the life

What time is it? 3:30? Good! Time to watch Star Trek! Turn up the TV. What do you mean that's as loud as it goes? Are they ever going to fix the audio? My gosh, I can't even whisper that low.

I can hear the construction workers behind me at the new station-to-be, but I don't mind. It's nice to know the administrative red tape has finally been cut; it's taken enough time. Besides, I'm getting tired of all the transmitter trouble on this intercom system called WUTM.

Show's over--I'd better get to the station to work my shift. Nice of the SGA to let us use this extra room. Let's see--I'll play this... and this...

One hour later. Everything's gone fine except for everybody and his brother

Turtle talk

by JOHNNY HARRISON

Questions to ask

This school year is drawing to a close and it's time to stop, look back and see how some things have shaped up and then ask the question, "Why?"

First,

let's start with the cafeteria. In last week's "Pacer" in the article "UT Cone deficit..." Mr. Dave Brodrick stated, "We haven't been pleased at all with our night snack bar and we feel the situation can be corrected by moving it back to the cafeteria. I personally feel the move will give us a better night snack bar offering. It will also be possible for students to use their charge cards if the snack bar is moved back to the cafeteria." Does Knoxville have the same problem?

In the girls' dorms the biggest mess is the alarm system and end doors. The alarms have an awful sound; they need to be toned down. The end doors are why the alarms go off. Guys, when you are going and/or coming, please take a little extra time and make sure the doors are closed. That goes for you girls too. If these doors were fixed correctly they could not be opened after they were locked.

Now, what I would like to know is does this mean that the snack bar in the cafeteria will be open next year later than 7 p.m.? I agree that moving the snack bar back to the cafeteria will improve sales. Most of all, the fact that the charge card can be used will help greatly.

Speaking of doors,

why is the Humanities Auditorium west door always locked? Isn't this a fire hazard? Many times this year I have tried to get in by this door and lately, I have tried to get out by the door and was unable to. Something needs to be done--unlock the door.

According to these direct quotes from the Feb. 6 issue of the "Pacer," "There will be no BFD this year, although some type of Spring Quarter activity is being planned by the Inter-Hall Council, according to IHC President Ginger Fields.

"BFD stands for Big Free Day and has for the past four years been a music festival program presented by the IHC. The event was held outdoors between McCord and Austin Peay Halls the first three years, but was forced into the Fieldhouse last year because of bad weather.

"There is no money going to be spent on bands," Fields said. "The only way there is going to be live music is if some bands will play for free."

I would like to know why the name BFD was changed to SFF? Was SFF any different than BFD and was any money spent for bands?

Let's go from BFD or SFF to SGA. This year has been great as far as concerts. The biggest problem was Congress, but I feel things will get better. Just a few questions for SGA. Why were the bulletin boards on campus taken down? It would improve public relations to leave them up and use them to put posters of up-coming attraction on them. They were located perfectly, too. I think they need to be put back; everybody would see them as they go to class.

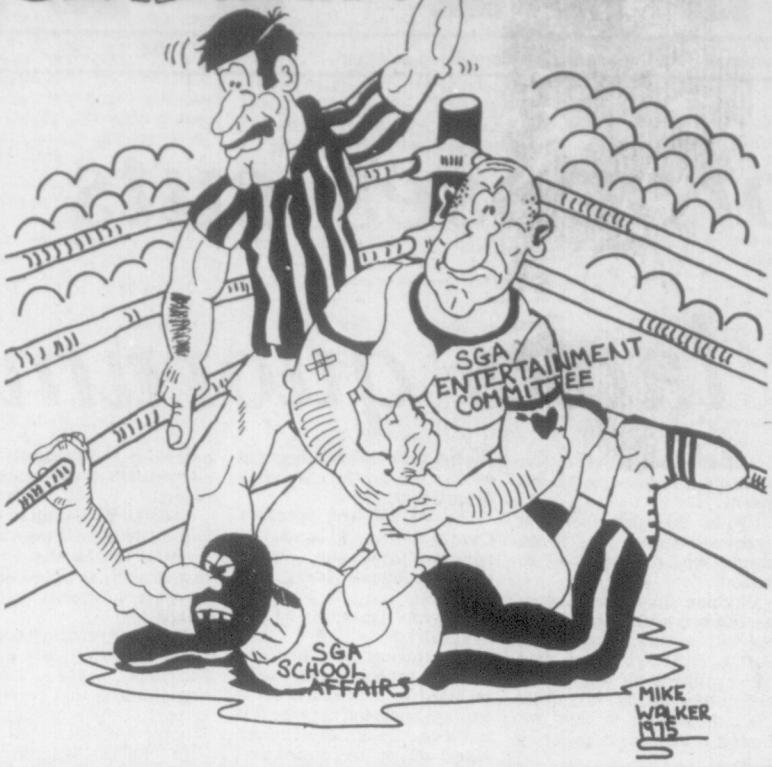
Now that I mentioned posters, we all know that most of them are put up by SGA. The person in charge of this is the Secretary of Communications, that having been Keith Franklin this past year.

Keith, don't worry about the pieing; many of us know how hard you worked at your job. Mr. Faulk has a great ability of finding scapegoats when he needs them. Someday he is going to pick the wrong person for his goat.

As for Swann's statements, he and Faulk both were too busy flirting with Jane Ragland to notice any of your work.

Well, there is one thing I can think of real quick that turned out good. McGehee's Bird Bath has seemed to be just the right size for the campus. I have never seen it too crowded. There are three more hot weeks to go, so it still may get crowded, but I doubt it.

THESE TWO NEED TO BE SEPARATED!



FEEDBACK

the event received next to nothing in the way of advance publicity.

This total lack of organization makes blatantly clear the need for a total reorganization of the Inter-hall Council. Though many members of IHC worked hard this year and cannot be blamed for the incompetence of their executive leadership, changes must be made in the way both IHC's representatives and officers are selected.

The current system of selecting both representatives and officers is terrible. How can they be expected to represent the students when most dorms either appoint their representatives or ask for volunteers for the position?

Even in the two dorms where the representatives are elected, few residents know who their representative is. The idea of three or four IHC representatives being allowed to elect the officers who are supposed to represent all of the dorm residents is utterly ridiculous.

Work must begin now to see that all dorm residents have a vote in the election of both their IHC representatives and officers. If IHC is to become a truly representative organization, its members must be elected. Otherwise it will continue to be only a figure head organization incapable of coping with even the smallest problems facing the residence halls.

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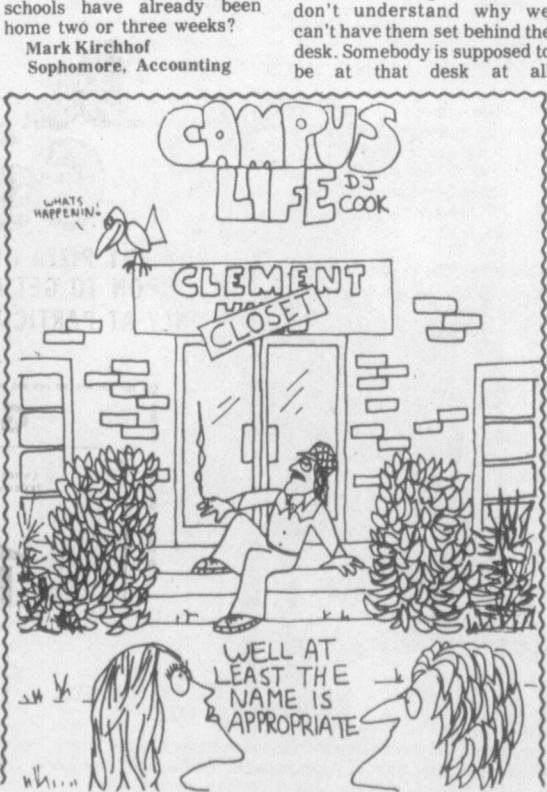
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Honors Day Program scheduled Sunday

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Over 100 students will receive recognition and awards for achievements in scholarship and citizenship at UTM's Honors Day Program scheduled for 2 p.m. Sunday in the University Center Ballroom.

"Since the primary goal of UTM is excellence in undergraduate education, it is fitting we do honor to students in this annual program who have contributed toward its achievement," Chancellor Larry T. McGehee, said.

Dr. G. Wayne Brown, who assumes the duties of executive director of the Tennessee Higher Education Commission on Friday, will speak at the program.

This will be Brown's first official speaking engagement under the auspices of his new office, McGehee said.

"I think it is very fitting that we have received Dr. Brown's services in that he is going to assume this very responsible position in the field of higher education in the State of Tennessee," Henry C. Allison, dean of admissions and records, said.

"I believe this will be one of the more important programs during the year," Allison said. "We don't have too many programs honoring students for academic performances. We feel it is necessary to honor students for academic achievement."

McGehee will be presiding over the ceremonies with Roy Brasford tentatively scheduled to give the invocation, Allison said. Dr. Norman Campbell, vice chancellor for academic affairs; Dr. Phillip Watkins, vice chancellor for undergraduate life; SGA President Steve Cox and

Colonel Alva W. Pendergrass, military science professor, will present the awards.

The music department will provide entertainment for the ceremony, Allison said. A reception will follow the award presentation.

There are 10 schools and departments offering two awards each and some 50 other awards will be given by various clubs, fraternities and other donors.

Bids open for 'Spirit' photo work

Bids are now being accepted on photographic work for the 1976 "Spirit."

Any qualified student interested in submitting a bid on either senior portraits or the job of chief yearbook photographer or both jobs should apply with Mr. James Tice in the Business Affairs Office this week according to Neil Graves, Spirit advisor.

"The yearbook will reserve the right to appoint a photographer or photographers able for the reasonable price to offer the best service," Graves stated. "There will be no obligation to accept the lowest bid automatically. Bids are being sought both from professional and student photographers."

A limited number of 1975 Spirits can still be reserved at the yearbook office for \$8 according to Editor Gail Sutton.

Past yearbooks are on sale for \$2.4 at the yearbook office," Sutton said. "There is also a past yearbook picture sale."



Staff photo by Danny Wilson

Puffing Pedalers

Two "Pedalers" for St. Jude Children's Hospital compete in the Third Annual Mu Epsilon Delta Bike Rally held Saturday. Norman Abney won the male organizational category representing Sigma Delta while Vickie Drysdale of the Hiking Club took first place among the female cyclists.

Congress . . .

(Continued from page one) present can contest the decisions made.

"By the strict legal sense, they would have to have a majority present to conduct business," Watkins said. "If the decisions are challenged by any member of SGA or congressperson, a technical interpretation could possibly declare the action illegal."

The Student Court would have to decide if it was legal or not.

Watkins said the lack of a quorum may weaken the decisions made but he feels if the people in Congress who were working on the recommendations were present they will be seriously considered.

In other action Tuesday, Congress approved SGA appointed cabinet positions.

The six approved were Alan Wolfe, executive assistant; David Armstrong, executive assistant; John Kornodle, attorney general; Tim Carnahan, assistant attorney general; Lee Nethery, student defender and Mike Hensen, chief justice.

Why is the WUTM radio station coming over the intercoms in McCord? Why is it picking up on every station on the radio on some radios?

WUTM is broadcasting over the McCord intercom because the transmitter was placed too close to the intercom control system box and the intercom system is not shielded, according to Dr. David Brody, communications coordinator.

"This was not done on purpose with malice and forethought," Brody said.

"We had to install the transmitter near the dorm power supply and the intercom box just happened to be there also."

According to Eric Lucas, operations director, part of the intercom system trigger acts as a "perfect" receiving device. When the intercom button is pressed, Lucas said, students are able to pick up the WUTM broadcast.

"We were really not aware of the problem and will take care of it as soon as the transmitter can be installed farther from the box," Brody said.

Cox said he would like to continue the policy if the SGA budget permits.

Cox also pointed out the money was not a payment to take care of damages to the football field fence which were incurred during the Friday night concert.

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Briody also said WUTM's broadcasting over all spectrum bands of some radios was due to the station's output being too powerful.

"The transmitters do not come adjusted," Brody said.

"We have to look into individual cases."

Parking Authority

asks speed check

The Parking Authority made a suggestion at their May 13 meeting that the 15-mile speed limit be checked more closely on University Street between Mt. Pella Road and Loveland Avenue during class changes.

A student suggested the speed limit be checked more closely because of the possibility of injury to pedestrians, Ed. N. White, director of Safety and Security said.

"It came to this student's attention that we ought to be enforcing more closely than we are," White said. "I suggested radar was the obvious way for this to be done."

Fifteen mile per hour flashers are presently set up on a timer which comes on 10 minutes before the hour and flashes until five minute after the hour for those changing classes, White said.

"It is up to Safety and Security's discretion as to whether the radar is implemented," White said. "We will be more rigidly enforcing what we have already approved."

White said a city radar would have to be used if the suggestion is implemented, because Safety and Security does not own radar.

"The Parking Authority makes the parking regulations for the campus," White said.

"We are adding in our appeals section of the traffic regulations that a citation must be appealed within 10 days of the date of issuance," White said. "We are also adding in the appeals section the method that faculty and staff can appeal their tickets."

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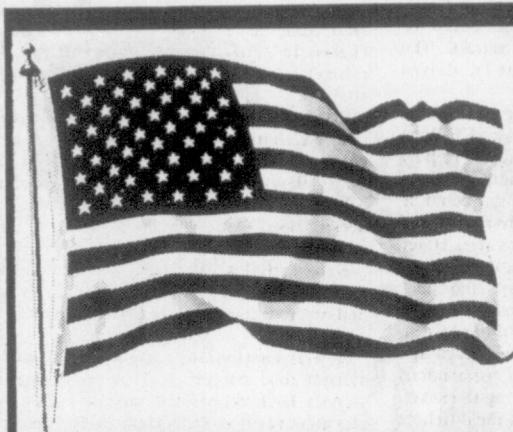
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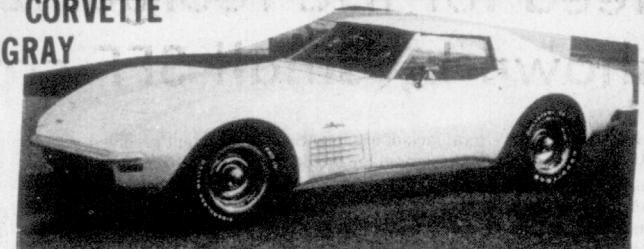
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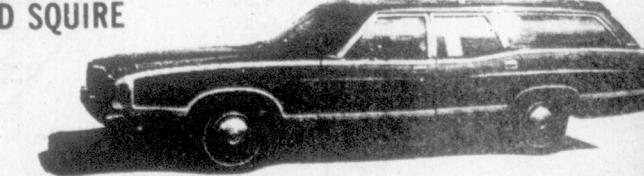
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Still a Cuban at heart

Robaina fought Batista, Castro

By DAVID M. BYRN

Pacer Features Editor
In the Latin American countries, the university is a very political place, said Vilma Robaina, part-time instructor of foreign languages at UTM, while discussing past experiences in her native Cuba.

"We (the students and faculty) were very involved in the revolutionary process," she said. "Here, it is not like that."

"I broke a leg once when I had to run from a building because the police interrupted us. We had to jump from the second floor."

"They were coming to catch us. We were beginning a movement to criticize a measure the government had taken. We were going to have a public meeting. The police came and we had to run."

"This is a paradise," she added laughingly. "Nothing like that happens here."

Robaina was born into a wealthy Havana family and lived in the capital until she left Cuba as a political refugee in 1961.

Her family has had a long line of educators. Her great-grandmother founded the first private school in northern Cuba. Her grandmother who studied at Harvard and in Paris established Harvard Academy in Cuba. Her mother

who had a doctorate in biology wrote high school biology textbooks for Cubans.

Besides owning several businesses in Havana, her father was a physics professor at the University of Havana for 27 years. He is currently chairman of the physics department at Xavier University in New Orleans. His interest in politics led him to the second highest government post in the field of education during Cuba's last constitutional government.

After the Batista dictatorship came to Cuba, Robaina's family was greatly involved in trying to overthrow it.

"Logically, because of my family's past political and economic activities, they tried to persecute us," she said. "So for eight years we fought to overthrow the dictatorship until Castro came to power."

"In the beginning, we thought we were going to be free people. We had fought so highly for this. We really trusted that the revolution was going to be for us to enjoy our constitutional government again. But this was not so."

In 1959, during the turmoil and excitement of the revolution's seeming victory, she married Dr. Edmundo Robaina, a lawyer and teacher. At this time, Castro denied his Communists leanings and called his government "as green as the palm trees."

Soon, her family saw indications to the contrary, she said. Land was seized without payment. Friends who had long fought for the reinstatement of constitutional rule were suddenly declared counter-revolutionaries. Opposition was crushed.

Her husband who attended school for five years with Castro was instructed to investigate a group thought to be counter-revolutionary. When his results showed no

legal improprieties, the government's estimation of him dropped.

As a lawyer, many of the government's practices were unacceptable to him, she said. He would try to find out about the jailing or property seizures of friends or clients. Because of this, he was interrogated several times without explanation. Eventually, he was imprisoned several times.

After his last imprisonment during which no one knew of his whereabouts, he was told he would not be freed if seized again and might be executed. Knowing of similar cases, he fled the country.

"After Castro decided he wanted his government to be socialist, we started opposing him," Robaina said of her family. "Consequently, all the family fell into oppression again. We gave it up and came to the United States."

"I came to the United States in 1961 about eight or nine months after Edmundo had already come. He had to flee because they were looking for him."

Her first of three children was only six months old when she came to America.

understand the situation it seems as if you have acquired new values. It is a very interesting process.

"As far as feelings go, I am Cuban with a lot of love and respect for the United States. I lived my life there so intensively that it's kind of hard for me to say I'm not a Cuban anymore."

"So many people expect that after a person has been in a country for several years, they will automatically identify with that country," she continued. "But I really feel very much a Cuban."

Robaina said she sometimes looks at her situation in the United States as if she is in a theatre in which people are acting.

"I am an outsider looking at the whole situation and admiring it," she said. "At the same time, I somehow identify myself with the noblest part - the part they play that is the best one, the most noble one, the most human. And I wish I could play it so well, to be absolutely frank."

"Sometimes I feel there is a lot of generosity and goodness and humanism here that I am glad I have come to know. It is a different way of life, a different way of being human that I admire very much."

Robaina also sees a number of educational differences.

"There are more avenues of accommodation here," she said. "Over there, if you didn't make good grades, you were going to be out. You couldn't just stay there. So, from that particular point of view, it seems the standards were a little higher."

She said there were no assignments or quizzes, only finals. You had to rely on yourself. It was the students' responsibility to study and use the library.

She also said there is a friendlier relationship between the students and teachers in America. In Cuba, students looked upon teachers with vigilance.

As for her own education, Robaina has a five-year bachelor's degree which is roughly the equivalent of a master's degree. In addition, she has had two years of study toward a doctorate.

Robaina considers Castro a deceptive man who knows the American public opinion and how to sway it. For instance, when American newsmen are allowed to speak freely with Cubans on the streets and report pro-Castro results, this is a Castro ploy because he realizes the people know better than to express anti-government feelings to strangers.

She described him as an egotistical man who is a charismatic leader and has a charming personality. However, he has no scruples in wiping out the opposition.

She is wary of recent U.S. considerations of reestablishing diplomatic relations with Cuba and feels trouble would be forthcoming in the very near future due to Castro's history of trying to export his revolution and Communist expertise in infiltration.

Also, this might further strengthen the Communist threat around the world and place some nations in jeopardy given the recent developments in Southeast Asia, she said.

The Communists will laugh at treaties and agreements and kill when securing their objectives, she said, noting the fleeing refugees in Vietnam and firing squads in Cuba.

However, she did feel a lifting of America's economic embargo of Cuba is probably justified.

"Since we were involved with the revolution, of course, I wish things had turned out differently," she said. "But if it (the embargo lift) is going to help the country to get food, medicine and upgrade the quality of life, I will have to review my position."

While discussing her personal philosophy, Robaina expressed the following objectives.

"All I want to accomplish as a human being is to love, to be able to relate to people as human beings in the whole sense of the word and not as they appear to be, but as they really are," she said. "I want people to treat me in the same manner."

"It seems that you always have to give the right impression. I don't want people to always give me the right impressions. I don't want to always have to give the right impression either."

"I give very poor impressions many, many times. And I wish people would accept me with my wrong impressions and for me to have the capacity to accept. That is what I mean by love."

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Staff photo by Stephen Tsui

Vilma Robaina

The Robainas made their home in New York City and New Orleans before coming to Martin in 1964. Dr. Robaina is an assistant professor of foreign language here.

"We had been under such intense emotional stress that it was hard to settle into our new position which was really quite different in many ways," said Robaina of her early days in America.

"It helps to have some kind of education. But culturally we are different in so many ways that it seems like you are a little child discovering new things all the time."

"You tend to be highly critical in the beginning. When you do not understand what is going on, you criticize. After time passes and you come to

know the culture better, you

will understand and appreciate it more."

"Americans are a very generous people, because of the nature of their society, they are unable to be anonymous to help everyone they might like to. So they give anonymously through public contributions."

On the other hand, she said,

Latin Americans offer help

directly and personally but usually only to people within a limited area. They like for

their generosity to be known.

Robaina pointed out another behavioral difference between Americans and Latin Americans which leads many of the latter to the erroneous impression that the American is ignorant.

"Americans are very cautious about giving an opinion about something in which they have no expertise. Whereas, for the fun of it, we will discuss anything and give our viewpoint."

"In the end, expertise is

going to prevail. But in the meantime, everybody has lots of fun and you hear things you wouldn't hear otherwise."

She felt this might be a reason why there is no generation gap among members of many Latin American families.

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The pitch...

Jamie Latch, left, stands ready to hit the next pitch in the championship match of The Women's Open Softball Tournament. 'The Crunks' defeated Today for the title. Above, Elton Simms, Alpha Gamma Rho pitcher, releases a pitch as third baseman Richie Brewer readies for a hit down the line. Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity won the game 11-0 capturing the tournament.

Intramural year ending

By GAIL EIDSON

Pacer Sports Editor

Participation in intramural athletic activities has been active this year with close to 1000 students having been involved in various events ranging from basketball and volleyball to softball and handball.

In the open division of women's intramurals, 471 students composed teams or took part in individual sports. With several sports remaining to be played, 484 men have been active since Fall Quarter.

Men's intramurals are set up and handled by one man, Earnest Gibson, who divides his time between teaching physical education courses and intramurals.

"I do most of my organization during the

summer," Gibson said.

Problems arise for both the men and women because of lack of space, facilities and manpower.

There is no intramural budget as such. Money to pay the officials, and for equipment comes from the physical education department.

"I helped Austin Peay set up their intramural program and they started with a \$10,000 budget," Gibson said.

Both Gibson and Betty Giles, director of the women's program, were hopeful the new complex will ease the problem of finding a place to hold indoor events.

"When we are having our basketball intramurals, we have to work around the women's basketball and volleyball team practices as well as trying to let the in-

tramural teams practice," Giles said.

This year softball had to be put off until the baseball season was over.

"We can't push the program like we would like to because we don't have the money or the facilities," Gibson said. "Since I have been working with the program the enrollment has grown from 2000 to 5000 and the number of basketball teams has increased from five to 35 in the same period of time."

"I really don't see any changes in the budget any time soon," he said.

The women who work with intramurals also teach and several coach intercollegiate teams. Nadine Gearin works with basketball and Lucia Jones works with softball and

volleyball. Janis Ross has also helped with numerous events this year.

The women have their intramurals divided into three divisions while the men have two. Both have an open division for any regularly enrolled student, a Greek division which is for members of Greek organizations only and the women have a special division for organizations.

This year only one event was held in Division C, powder-puff football was held for the residence halls.

Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity captured the softball championship Monday when they defeated Alpha Gamma Rho. The Pikes were the only undefeated team in the tournament. The softball victory almost assured the Pikes of the All-Sports Trophy.

The Pikes now have 175 points and their nearest competitor is Alpha Tau Omega with 150 points with tennis and track remaining to be played. Since this is the third year for Pi Kappa Alpha to win the trophy, they will be allowed to retire it.

Open softball started Tuesday and will continue throughout the quarter. Tennis and paddleball are scheduled to be completed before the end of the quarter.

Fraternity track will be held in Union City May 30.

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'Brotherhood' desire cited

Fraternities on the rise

By RICKY NORTON
Special Assignments Editor

Fraternities are on the rise here at UTM according to Dr. Donald Sexton, director of men's activities.

"Fraternities on this campus are really becoming a big thing," Sexton said. "Students are beginning to realize a need for identity and have found out that fraternities can provide this."

It is evident that fraternities and their members are becoming dominant on this campus judging from the fact fraternities now have representatives on many of our campus committees and campus offices as well, Sexton said. SGA is filled with fraternity members, as well as the officers themselves. Congress contains ten fraternity members. There are members in various student and faculty organizations, also.

Sexton cited several major purposes of the fraternities as a whole, not as individual fraternities:

- Emphasizing "Brotherhood" between members.
- Originating several recreational and service activities for the community and campus.

Individual members help one another out with any problems such as academics, etc.

Emphasizing scholastic achievements among all members. The GPA of a member is now emphasized.

"I've had many students tell me that fraternities helped them find a purpose in life," Sexton said. "To me, fraternities are more than just organizations. I look upon fraternities as a family system. When one member is down and out, the others join in and help out. This develops loyalty and strength among the members."

"These fraternities are laboratories of learning—lessons of life," he continued. "There is no isolation involved. People are working together."

All our fraternities are non-discriminatory," Sexton explained. "This includes both the black and white fraternities. The reports of both fraternities include a non-discriminatory clause. This applies not only to race, but to sex and religion, except under specified conditions."

Fraternity growth is apparent through a comparison of present fraternity

membership to that of the past.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon recorded a rise in the 1970-71 membership of 40 to a membership of 60 in 1974-75. Alpha Gamma Rho claimed a growth from 55 to 70 over the four year period. Alpha Tau Omega recorded the greatest rise from 60 to approximately 85. Pi Kappa Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi have also had enlargements in membership.

There have been a few fraternities to record drops in memberships, but the average among fraternities shows a

definite rise in figures, Sexton said.

"Our growth has been in individual members, of course," Sexton explained, "but fraternities on the whole have grown. We now have more fraternities than we did four years ago in the 1970-71 school year."

UTM now claims ten fraternities—eight social and two service.

"I think the fraternities are growing here at UTM as a result of the need of the students to be identified with some group," Sexton explained. "The sense of 'Brotherhood' is desired and the fraternities provide this."

Foreign program report calls for full-time advisor

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The National Association of Foreign Student Affairs consultant's report on UTM's international students program arrived last Friday, according to Milton Simmons, dean of liberal arts.

The report has been

distributed to several individuals in the administration but there has not been any official discussion of the report, Simmons said.

"Among the things recommended was the hiring of an English-as-a-Second-Language instructor and a full-time foreign students advisor," Simmons said.

"These are matters about which firm decisions have not been made."

"My own personal reaction is that the bulk of the recommendations are implementable and can be implemented," Simmons said.

Simmons said he feels almost all of his experiences with this year's program have been positive.

"I've been very happy to be involved in the beginning of this kind of international program, but the Office of Liberal Arts isn't suited or staffed for the direct administration of such a complex program," he said.

"I'm quite certain I will not continue as the program administrator," Simmons stated.

"Those who have worked as instructors in the program have done an excellent job and this is seen in the progress and growth of their students."

"Right now I feel we are doing everything possible to profit by our experience and to improve our program in every way we can," Simmons said.

In-service training in English for those who will be teaching in the summer in the international students program will be held June 10-11. There will probably be approximately the same number of foreign students at UTM next year as there is this year, Simmons said.

Theatre production to begin tomorrow

Tickets are still available and some good seats can still be reserved for tomorrow's and Saturday's 8 p.m. performance of "Godspell" in the Fine Arts Auditorium, according to a music department spokesperson.

Housing contracts being made

The assignment of housing for Summer Quarter is beginning, according to George Freeman, director of housing.

"For women this summer, we are beginning to assign a unit of McCord," Freeman said. "If the space is needed we'll move over in the B unit of McCord."

"We will use C unit of Austin Peay for the men," Freeman continued. "We do not expect to use D unit."

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